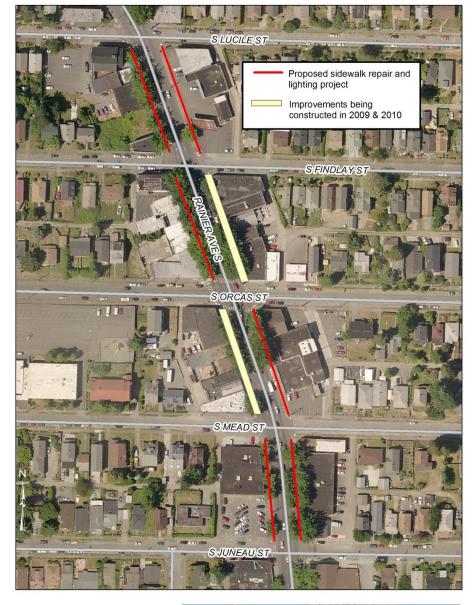
APPLICANT PROBLEM

Both Hillman City Business Association (HCBA) and Hillman City Neighborhood Alliance (HCNA – the neighborhood group), have prioritized sidewalks and other streetscape improvements on Rainier Av S, from S Lucille St to S Juneau St; further description of their goal refer to Project # 32, in the Southeast Transportation Study.

APPLICANT SOLUTION

In 2009, a small Neighborhood Street Fund project repaired sidewalk and installed pedestrian lighting at Rainier Ave S & S Orcas Street. Additionally, transit improvements in 2010 will repair sidewalks, build bus bulbs and add pedestrian lighting. This will complete the eastside of the block from S Orcas to Findlay Streets and the westside of the block from S Orcas to S Mead Streets. The proposed project would continue these improvements on 6 block faces north and south of the intersection to improve pedestrian lighting and safety in the core of the Hillman City business district (from S Lucille to S Juneau Streets).









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Repair sidewalk, add curb bulbs and pedestrian lighting on the six block faces north and south of the intersection to improve pedestrian lighting and safety in the core of the Hillman City business district (from S Lucille to S Juneau Streets).

Constructability

- -Existing drainage infratructure is in place.
- -Constructing new sidewalk while maintaining existing elevations at the store frontages and door entrances can be a design challenge to ensure there is no ponding on the sidewalk
- Lighting will have to be carefully designed taking into account the existing utilities, power lines and trees
- -Pedestrian access during construction will need to be maintained.

Community Issues

- -Outreach with existing businesses will be needed during design and construction
- -Coordintation with METRO will be required for bus stop improvements

Benefits

- -Improves access to/from transit stops on Rainier Ave S.
- -Improves pedestrian safety by eliminating tripping hazards and reducing the likelihood of standing water on the sidewalk.
- -Improves the condition of sidewalks and perserves infrastructure by constructing new full height curb to prevent cars from parking on the sidewalk.
- -Improves the environment by protecting mature street trees.
- -Improves pedestrian safey and security by providing lighting.
- -Improves pedestrian access to business district and promotes economic development.



